

October 26, 2015

This letter is in response to the request made by the Amherst Center Store, 259 Triangle Street, to be granted an off-premise wine and malt license. As residents of Cottage Street, a residential street adjacent to the Amherst Center Store, we are opposed to this proposed license for several reasons. First, with Cousin's Market, which holds a full liquor license, in such close proximity to the Amherst Center Store, there is no demand for additional alcohol sales within a two minute walk between the two stores. Second, the police already must be vigilant enough because of the high school just down the street and college students in nearby residence in neighborhoods and the five story building directly across the street. They should not have to add another location to their already nearly impossible job. Third, Cottage Street is a thruway for walkers from the bars and liquor stores in town as evidenced by the increasing bottles, cans, noise, and often unruly behavior, including open urination and vomiting in yards. Because of the above stated concerns, we request that you do not grant the license as requested by the Amherst Center Store.

Thank you,

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